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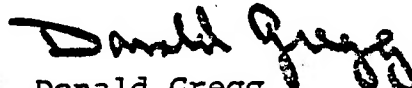
August 3, 1979

MEMORANDUM FOR: COUNTERINTELLIGENCE WORKING
GROUP MEMBERS

SUBJECT: Study on Leak Legislation

Attached is a study of alternate proposals for legislation to deal with unauthorized disclosure of unauthorized information. This was prepared by the Department of Legal Counsel, Department of Justice. The Department of Justice has offered to take the lead in this project. I am circulating to all members of the CIWG the Department of Justice draft. I would request that members be prepared to give initial reaction to it at the CIWG meeting scheduled for 9 August. At that point I would plan to have a small group designated to work with Justice to prepare an options paper.

I regret the delay in circulating this paper to CIWG members.


Donald Gregg
NSC Staff Member

Attachment

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Washington, D. C. 20530

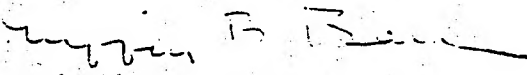
June 4, 1979

MEMORANDUM FOR THE
ASSISTANT TO THE PRESIDENT FOR
NATIONAL SECURITY AFFAIRS

RE: Leak Legislation Study

Pursuant to a request from the SCC, the Department of Justice has undertaken a comprehensive study of alternative proposals for legislation to deal with unauthorized disclosure of classified information. The study focuses on the problems in dealing with leaks of classified information when the disclosure is not for benefit of a foreign power.

I am forwarding to you the substantial analysis by the Office of Legal Counsel of this subject. The study is clearly too extensive to put before the SCC principals in its present form. I suggest that you direct the Counterintelligence Working Group to refine the study and produce a brief options paper for consideration by the SCC. The Department of Justice will happily take the lead in this project but a collegial working group mechanism should be utilized so that the Department can receive views of all interested agencies.


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Attorney General

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